REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the recent Office Action. Applicant has amended all of the Independent Claims in a manner consistent with that which was resolved to be allowable in the Examiner's interview. Note that in order to unquestionably demonstrate the allowability of the pending claims, Applicant has provided even more amendments, which attempt to further outline the subject matter to which Applicant is entitled. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the pending claims and favorable action in this case.

CONCLUSION

Applicant has made an earnest attempt to place this case in condition for allowance. For the foregoing reasons, and for other reasons clearly apparent, Applicant respectfully requests full allowance of all pending Claims. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference or an interview would advance prosecution of this Application in any manner, the undersigned attorney for Applicant stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

Applicant believes no fees are due. If this is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker & Botts, L.L.P.

If there are matters that can be discussed by telephone to advance prosecution of this application, Applicant invites the Examiner to contact Thomas Frame at 214,953.6675.

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